Purchase of a new Motor Car for the Dewan.

92. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a new car has been got down for the use of the Dewan ;

(*b*) if so, its cost ;

(*c*) whether a car was purchased for the present Dewan in 1101;

(*d*) whether there is any reason for getting down another costly car for the use of the Dewan within so short a time ; and

(*e*) whether the car purchased in 1101 for the use of the Dewan is in good order ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) £. 1,182-2-2 including packing, insurance and freight charges.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The present Dewan like his predecessor is entitled to have two cars for his use.

(*e*) Yes.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : With reference to part (*d*), may I know whether there is any covenant between the Government and the Dewan when he was so appointed to the effect that he is entitled to two cars ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That is the understanding.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Is it mentioned in the terms ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That is the understanding.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Is it beyond the terms or is it mentioned in the terms ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That is one of the terms.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Has any other Dewan got down so costly a car as this before this time ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No.

Applications for Permission to prosecute Police Officers.

93. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Government from private persons praying for sanction to prosecute police officers ;

(*b*) the number of applications allowed ; and

(*c*) the number of applications dismissed together with the reasons for the same ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Applications during the last four years : 14.

(*b*) Permission granted : Nil.

(*c*) Permission was refused in 11 cases as the allegations were found to be false. In one instance the party withdrew the complaint. The rest are under enquiry.

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MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : With reference to part (*c*), was any evidence taken from the parties concerned before dismissing the applications ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : These might have been dismissed only after enquiry.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : In many cases, the parties moved the Government with the aid of vakils. I want to know whether the vakils were heard or any other evidence was taken.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The enquiries were not made by the Government directly. They were made by the superior officers of the Police Department.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Is it not a grievance to the parties when the applications are dismissed without hearing the applicants ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Enquiries are made.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Are they *ex parte* enquiries ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I did not say that. The parties might have been heard at the spot.

Women's College Hostel.

94. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : (1) With reference to the answer to question No. 53, asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 22nd Karkatakam 1101, will the Government be pleased to state if they have received a report regarding the sanitary condition of the places surrounding the Women's College Hostel ?

(2) If so, will they kindly lay it on the table or mention the substance of it ?

(3) Will the Government kindly take steps to remove this Hostel to some suitable building in the neighbourhood of the College ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (1) Yes.

(2) It is reported that the drain in the premises of the hostel being uncovered, the sanitary condition thereof leaves much to be desired and that it should be covered so as to permit periodical flushing and cleaning. It is also reported that there are mosquitoes from standing water in the adjacent High School compound caused by the overflow of drainage during the rains.

(3) The matter is being considered.

Transfer of Officers.

95. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the names of the officers drawing Rs. 150 and above who have been transferred from one department to another, either temporarily or permanently, during the last three years (1099-1101), the posts held by them before and after each transfer ; and

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